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SUBJECT: DEL ROSARIO APPOINTED RP AMBASSADOR TO OTTAWA

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1. MFA HAS ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF RAMON V. DEL ROSARIO AS PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR TO OTTAWA, THUS BRINGING AN END TO A SHORT AND ANOMALOUS EPISODE IN PHILIPPINE DIPLOMATIC HISTORY. MARCOS HAD APPOINTED DEL ROSARIO LAST SEPTEMBER AS THE FIRST PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES FOR TRADE AND BUSINESS. IT WAS APPARENTLY A JOINT IDEA BY MARCOS AND ROMULO THAT DEL ROSARIO, WHO IS A PERFECT DALE CARNEGIE AND ENERGETIC BUSINESSMAN, WOULD HELP NOT ONLY TO IMPROVE THE PHILIPPINE IMAGE IN THE UNITED STATES BUT ALSO PROMOTE TRADE AND INVESTMENT ON BEHALF OF THE PHILIPPINES.

2. ONLY PROBLEM, HOWEVER, WAS THAT THE SPONSORS DID NOT ADEQUATELY CONSULT WITH OR OBTAIN THE BLESSING OF AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED STATES EDUARDO ROMUALDEZ WHO HAPPENED TO BE THE UNCLE OF MRS. MARCOS. DEL ROSARIO WAS NOT WELCOME AT THE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, APPARENTLY MADE A PERFUNCTORY EFFORT AT CONTACTING THE
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U.S. GOVERNMENT, AND SPENT MOST OF HIS TIME COMMUTING BACK TO MANILA WHERE HE LEADS A LARGE AND THRIVING GROUP OF COMPANIES. HE WAS SIMPLY CAUGHT IN THE MIDDLE, DID NOT KNOW WHAT TO DO, AND HAD THE SYMPATHY OF HIS CLOSE ASSOCIATES AND FRIENDS. MARCOS HAS NOW AWARDED HIS PATIENCE AND FOREBEARANCE.

3. OTTAWA WILL FIND HIM FRIENDLY AND PRO-AMERICAN BUT INEXPERIENCED AND PERHAPS NAIVE IN POLITICS AND DIPLOMACY. HE IS ENERGETIC AND WILL GET AROUND. HE WILL MAKE FRIENDS FOR THE PHILIPPINES. HE WOULD HAVE DONE QUITE WELL IN WASHINGTON.

4. COMPLETE BIO SENT VIA MANILA A-127. MURPHY

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